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## **“Why do YOU vote?” Contest Deadlines are Approaching**

Now is your chance to express your thoughts on the importance of voting by entering the 2011 FVAP Voting Slogan Contest and Poster Contest. The **April 8, 2011** deadline for submissions is fast approaching.

The winning contest entries will be used to promote interest in the electoral process among military members, their families and U.S. citizens worldwide for the 2012 presidential election year. It is easy to participate via use of Challenge.gov.

The FVAP Poster Contest seeks artwork illustrating the importance of and/or how it feels to be an American citizen voting absentee from anywhere in the world. This artwork will be used to create the 2012 voting poster and Voting Assistance Guide cover. The FVAP Poster Contest details are located at [FVAP.gov](http://FVAP.gov) and <http://challenge.gov/challenges/116>. All artistic skill levels are encouraged to create and submit entries.

The FVAP Slogan Contest asks for slogan ideas that inspire members of the military, their families and U.S. Citizens residing overseas to start or continue to participate in elections while away from home and can be found at [FVAP.gov](http://FVAP.gov) and <http://challenge.gov/challenges/115>. The slogan will also be used on the 2012 Voting poster.

All submissions must include your full name, branch of service (if military), mailing address, daytime telephone number, fax number (phone and fax numbers should include all necessary country/city codes or DSN prefixes) and e-mail address (if applicable).

### **To submit your entry:**

**On-line:** Go to Challenge.gov using the links above or type “FVAP” in the search bar to find these challenges. Use the orange “Post a Submission” button to upload your entries.

**E-mail:** [slogan@fvap.gov](mailto:slogan@fvap.gov). One slogan or poster per e-mail including contact information.

**Fax:** (703) 696-1352 or DSN 426-1352. Visit the FVAP website at [www.fvap.gov](http://www.fvap.gov) for international toll-free fax numbers. No cover sheet is necessary.

**Mail:** Federal Voting Assistance Program  
Attn: Voting Slogan/Poster Contest  
1777 North Kent Street, Suite 14003  
Arlington, VA 22209

The contest winner and runners-up will not only feel the satisfaction of knowing that their slogan is helping improve voter awareness and participation, but they will receive a trip to our nation's

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capital to participate in special events and tours. Runners-up will receive a certificate of recognition from the Department for their contribution to this important endeavor.

There is no limit to the number of entries you may submit, but we request that all slogans and posters be submitted individually. All submissions must be received by **April 8, 2011**. Please join the FVAP in helping to inspire others to vote by submitting your entry today and you could be one of this year's winners!

**We Want Your Feedback!** FVAP is planning on evolving its website from a static website to a dynamic, data-driven portal. The new environment will provide enhanced services for voters, election officials, and voting assistance officers. Please read about our plans by clicking on the link below and let us know what you think. Any ideas or suggestions for improvement will be welcomed. Please e-mail your comments to [vote@fvap.gov](mailto:vote@fvap.gov) or call (703) 588-1584.

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